

SB1445/HB2333 COVID-19 Vaccine Administration by EMS Providers

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Senate Bill 1445 and the companion bill HB 2333 is new legislation that was enacted 02/15/2021 as a Section 1 Bill. As a Section 1 Bill, this legislation and all it empowers, will dissolve upon the Governors reversal of the current declared state of emergency.

This bill facilitates the administration of COVID-19 vaccine during the current declared state of emergency. This bill authorizes certain individuals with prior clinical training to act as COVID-19 (ONLY) vaccinators. If an individual meets the inclusion criteria of this bill and would like to volunteer as a Covid-19 vaccinator, they must register at www.vavaccinatorregistry.com on the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) website.

VDH will provide to Local Health Districts or hospital based vaccination sites, upon request for additional human resources, this listing of volunteer vaccinators.

Any FORMERLY certified EMS providers participating under this bill must register with VDH and volunteer as vaccinators under the supervision of the VDH program as required by this bill.

Formerly certified EMS providers, or currently certified EMS providers that are not affiliated with your agency, may NOT function as part of the EMS agency, unless they comply with all of the current EMS regulations regarding affiliation, background check, scope of practice, etc.

If a certified EMS provider that is affiliated with your Fire Department/EMS agency, wants to participate in either a VDH local health district or hospital based COVID-19 vaccination site; both the Fire Department/EMS AGENCY and Operational Medical Director will need to complete the [Procedure for Partnership with Local Health District and EMS Provider](#) document found on the OEMS website.

This bill does allow for any level of certified or formerly certified (in the past 20 years) EMS provider (EMT, EMT Enhanced, Advanced EMT, EMT Intermediate, or Paramedic) to administer ONLY the Covid-19 vaccination.